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November 1st, 1918

Colonel R. W. Leonard,

50 Ontario Street,

St. Catharines, Ont.

Dear Colonel Leonard:

I have to thank you for your kindness in sending Mr. Moore your final instalment of $500 to the Graduate Fellowships. I am sure that this money has been of great service. Also, that the University can fulfil a large duty in bringing men and women from the East to do graduate work in the University. Even under war conditions we had more applications than we could fill, and when once peace is declared we shall I know have very many more.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

January 22nd, 1919

Colonel R. W. Leonard,

St. Catharines, Ont.

My dear Colonel Leonard:

I am sorry that you were not able to be at the Committee yesterday which was dealing with military training. We found ourselves faced with a situation which was such that we could only do one thing, and that was to suspend the military training and physical exercise for the rest of the term. There were two reasons which led us to this conclusion : (1) We had no place in which to give the exercises as the space we have been using in the Hart House has been taken from us by Mr. Massey in order to get the building ready for the opening of next session. (2) The use of the regular C.O.T.C. uniform , the only one we have, is practically illegal and might bring those who wear it in danger of arrest by the military police. The old temporary gymnasium had been put at the disposal of the Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment a year ago, and we were left with no place except the muddy lawn. Moreover, the instruction was not such as to get the respect of the students. Next year however, when we get into Hart House, I think we shall be able to carry the compulsory physical training through for the first two years, and I hope that when our officers get back, especially those who had so much to do with originating the C.O.T.C.

they may be able to carry on a regular C.O.T.C. in such a way as that it will attract a large number of students to join it.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.